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SUBJECT: KUWAITI PRESSURES ON BP AND GULF

REF: KUWAIT 1037, 1034

1. GULF OIL VP LEWIS HAS RECEIVED "POLITE" CABLE FROM FINANCE MINISTER ATIGI SAYING HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE BP AND GULF "REGARDING THE COMPANIES' REMAINING 40 PERCENT IN KOC". ATIGI ASKED FOR MEETING ON MARCH 12 WHICH LEWIS WILL PROBABLY ATTEND.

2. LEWIS TELLS US THAT ALMOST SIMULTANEOUSLY HE SAW
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PRESS REPORTS FROM ALGIERS QUOTING OIL MINISTER KAZEMI AS

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STATING FLATLY THAT KOC IS GOING TO TAKE OVER BP AND GULF SHAREHOLDING.

3. LEWIS HOPED THAT PRECIPITOUS ACTION MIGHT BE FORE-STALLED, BUT HE WAS CLEARLY CONCERNED ABOUT KAZEMI.

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